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Conference with Mr. Edward Daugherty, Chief, Division of Functional Intelligence, OIR, Department of State (23 July 1953)

1. Mr. Daugherty observed that ORR reports frequently contain extensive, detailed factual information of a technical nature which is very helpful to his division but they would be much more useful if they included more analysis. With respect to the latter he mentioned the evaluation of the significance of the level of production of a particular commodity in relation to the strategic needs of the Soviet Bloc. It would be desirable if production figures could be related to the assessment of capabilities of the Bloc to accomplish certain military or other purposes. It would also be desirable if industry or commodity studies could examine points of vulnerability such as shortages of raw materials, manpower, or equipment including any dependence upon resources from outside the Bloc. In general he felt that ORR reports would be much more useful to consumers if they gave more attention to an evaluation of the significance of the data which they contain and to an analysis of relationships between industries and the problem of overall capabilities.

2. The Division of Functional Intelligence frequently is called upon to prepare summaries of ORR reports for the area political desks of the Department. If separate abstracts were prepared in CIA they should be helpful in meeting such needs.

3. One of the responsibilities of Mr. Daugherty's division (DFI) has been to assist the Intelligence Working Group dealing with economic defense matters. Mr. Daugherty said that their relations with CIA on such matters had improved recently and he hoped that cooperation could continue to improve in the future.

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